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*GB RCS***REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)****TRANSMITTAL****(INCLUDING FILING FEE AND/OR PETITION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME FEE)**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000
provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

To: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket No.:1619.1018		
First Named Inventor	Yuki YAMAMOTO		
Application No.	10/082,204	Group Art Unit	2152
Filing Date	February 26, 2002	Examiner	Duyen My Doan
CPA Filing Date		Confirmation No	5091
Title of Invention	METHOD FOR PROVIDING AREA CHAT ROOMS, METHOD FOR PROCESSING AREA CHATS ON TERMINAL SIDE, COMPUTER-READABLE MEDIUM FOR RECORDING PROCESSING PROGRAM TO PROVIDE AREA CHAT ROOMS, APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING AREA CHAT ROOMS, AND TERMINAL-SIDE APPARATUS FOR USE IN A SYSTEM TO PROVIDE AREA CHAT ROOMS		

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (Box a or b must be completed)

- a. Previously submitted
i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
iii. Other
- b. Enclosed
i. Amendment/Reply
ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
iv. Other

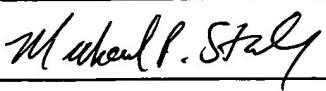
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01 FC:1801	790.00 OP
02 FC:1201	200.00 OP
03 FC:1202	50.00 OP

2.

Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required).
b. Other

		BASIC FEE			\$	790.00
Since an Official Action set an original due date of <u>March 16, 2006</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension of time to cover the date this RCE is filed, for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$120)); (2 months (\$450)); (3 months (\$1,020)); (4 months (\$1,590)); (5 months (\$2,160)):						900.00
\$1,020.00 - \$120.00 (already paid) = \$900.00						
Claims As Amended	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate		
Total Claims	26	25	- 20 =	1	X \$ 50.00	= \$ 50.00
Independent Claims	6	5	- 3 =	1	X \$ 200.00	= \$ 200.00
Suspension Fee (\$130.00)						
Total of above Calculations =						\$ 1940.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).						
TOTAL FEES DUE =						\$ 1940.00
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Small entity status: a. <input type="checkbox"/> Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status. b. <input type="checkbox"/> A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is no longer claimed. 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:						
6. METHOD OF PAYMENT						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <u>\$1940.00</u> is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to Deposit Account No. 19-3935. (A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.)						
7. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application and of any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 to maintain pendency hereof and of any such related application to: Deposit Account No. 19-3935.						
8. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS						
STAAS & HALSEY LLP  21171 <small>PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE</small>						
9. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED						
NAME	Michael P. Stanley			REGISTRATION NO.	58,523	
SIGNATURE				DATE	June 16, 2006	